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AHR!
AHR!
HELP! HELP!
HRM-NA HRM...
OH! YOU GORILLA, YOU!
THE END
AIN'T IT THE END, THOUGH? WISH I HAD A QUARTER FOR EVERY TIME I'VE BEEN PAWED BY A BIG OL' HAIRY APE LIKE THAT.
THE END
BUT I DON'T. THAT'S WHY I'M SITTING HERE DOING THIS MOVIE HOSTESS GIG!
AT LEAST I GET PAID TO WATCH THESE TURKEYS. WHAT'S YOUR EXCUSE, BUSTER?

NOW DON'T GO BLAMIN' THE LOUSY PICTURE ON YOUR T.V. THERE'S NOTHING WRONG WITH YOUR SET...
...AND YOU GOTTA KNOW THERE AIN'T NOTHING WRONG WITH MINE!
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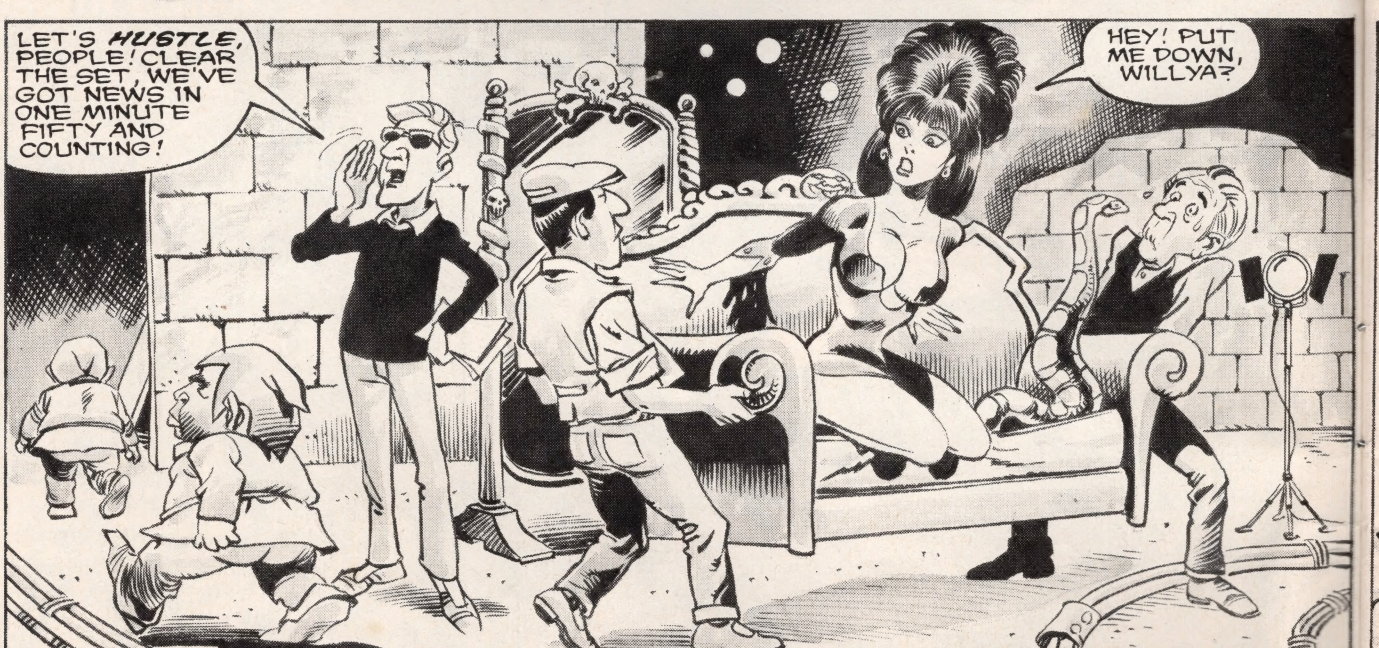

LET'S *HUSTLE*, PEOPLE! CLEAR THE SET, WE'VE GOT NEWS IN ONE MINUTE FIFTY AND COUNTING!
HEY! PUT ME DOWN, WILLYA?

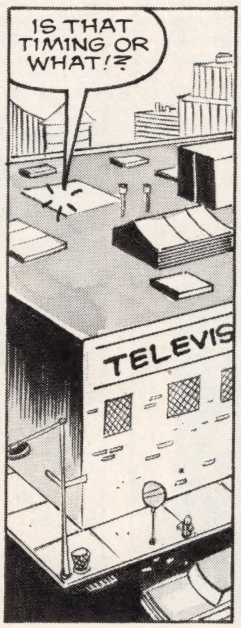
THAT'S A WRAP!
UNPLEASANT DREAMS NOW... SEE YOU LATER, OR THEREABOUTS!
SURE!
THUNK
THANKS!

ELVIRA, WAIT! THERE'S SOMEONE WHO WANTS TO MEET YOU!
HOPE YOU DON'T MEAN THAT LARD-BUCKET IN THE TEN-GALLON HAT!
QUIET! HE'S THE STATION'S NEW OWNER. BE NICE TO HIM AND THEY WON'T AX YOUR SHOW!
I'D RATHER BE NICE TO A BALD GORILLA IN A BATH OF SWILL!
ELVIRA, THIS IS EARL HOOTER!
AND I GOT PLENTY TO HOOT ABOUT, LITTLE LADY!
KISS KISS
BETTER HOOT IT OUT YOUR--
YOU AND ME ARE GOING TO HAVE THE TIME OF OUR LIFE, HONEY!
NOT ON YOUR LIFE, CRETIN! I ONLY GO OUT WITH THEMS I CHOOSE TO!
SOUNDS LIKE YOU'RE LOOKING TO GET YOURSELF FIRED, LADY!
BETTER STILL-- I QUIT! I NEED THIS JOB LIKE A LEPER NEEDS A THREE-WAY MIRROR!
YOU SEE, I'VE GOT AN ACT THAT'S OPENING IN LAS VEGAS!

I'LL HAVE MY PEOPLE CALL YOUR PEOPLE... BY THE WAY, WHO ARE YOUR PEOPLE?
SLAM!
NEVER MIND, SHE JUST WALKED IN!
HOW'S THE MOST BEAUTIFUL CREATURE IN THE COSMOS?
SAVE IT, MANNY! I JUST QUIT!
B-BUT, YOU C-CAN'T!
WHAT'S THE BIG DEAL? ONCE MY SHOW OPENS IN VEGAS, I'LL NEVER HAVE TO HOST ONE OF THESE HORROR FLICKS AGAIN!
THERE AREN'T ANY PROBLEMS WITH THE SHOW, ARE THERE, MANNY?
PROBLEMS? WHEN YOU HAVE MANNY HERMAN ON YOUR SIDE?
UH... COMPLICATIONS, MAYBE.
UH-OH... WH-WHAT IS IT?
VEGAS WON'T DO THE SHOW UNLESS YOU COME UP WITH FIFTY THOUSAND TO HELP FINANCE IT!
WHERE DO I COME UP WITH THAT KIND OF MONEY?
ELVI
MAYBE IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO GET YOUR JOB BACK!
TELEGRAM FOR MISS ELVIRA!

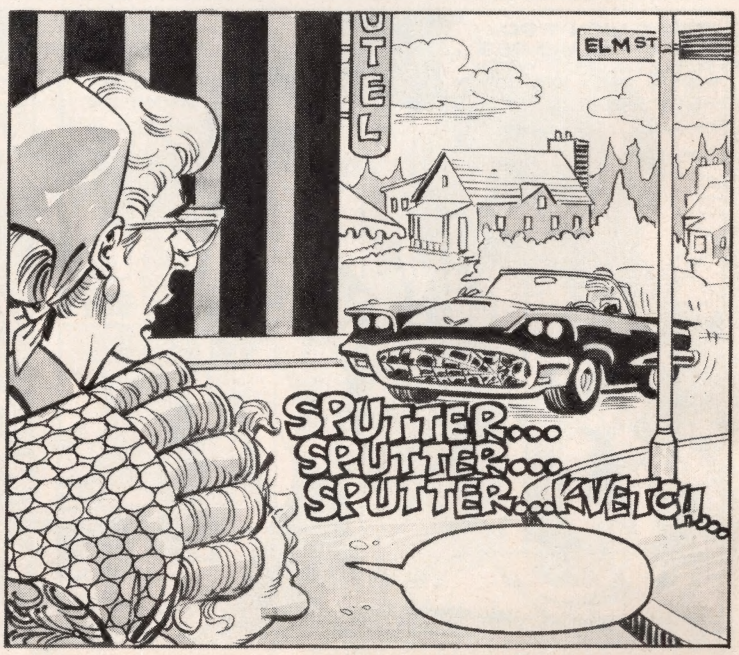
LISTEN TO THIS, KID!
NEVER KNEW QUARTERS COULD BEND...
ESTERN UN
DEAR ELVIRA; AS EXECUTOR OF ESTATE OF YOUR GRE AUNT, MS. MORGANA T I AM SORRY TO INFO YOU OF HER UNTIM PASSING...
I DIDN'T KNOW I HAD A GOOD AUNT, MUCH LESS A GREAT ONE!

ALL I HAVE TO DO IS GO TO FALLWELL, MASSACHUSETTS TO PICK UP MY INHERITANCE.
IT'S INCREDIBLE!


IS THAT TIMING OR WHAT!?
TELEVIS

MANNY, CALL VEGAS AND TELL THEM I'LL HAVE THE FIFTY GRAND AS SOON AS I GET BACK FROM MASSACHUSETTS.
ELVIRA, ONCE YOU COMMIT, YOU'RE ON THE HOOK FOR IT!
DO I LOOK LIKE THE KIND OF WOMAN WHO EVER BACKED OUT OF ANYTHING?

NOT TOO LONG AFTERWARD, IN THE QUAINT LITTLE TOWN OF FALLWELL, MASS...
SO I SAID, "NEXT TIME YOU QUESTION MY DECISIONS AT THE PICNIC COMMITTEE, YOU CAN FORGET ABOUT YOUR HUSBAND'S PROMOTION..."
BEAUTY PARLOR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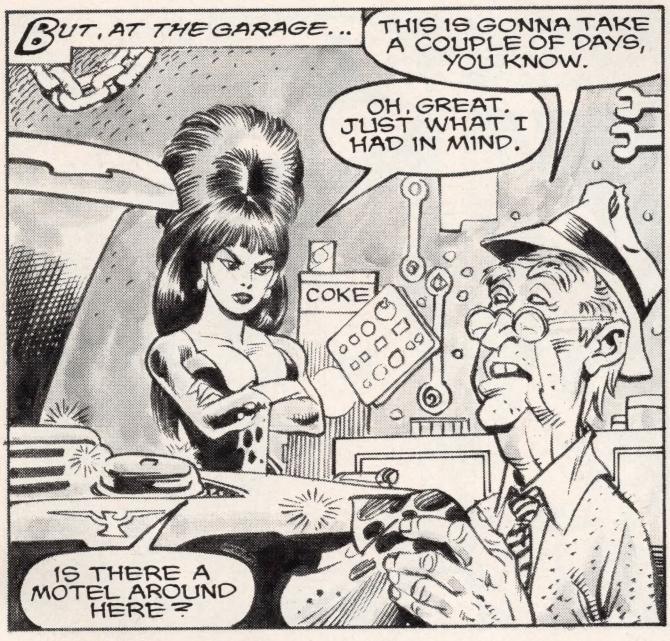
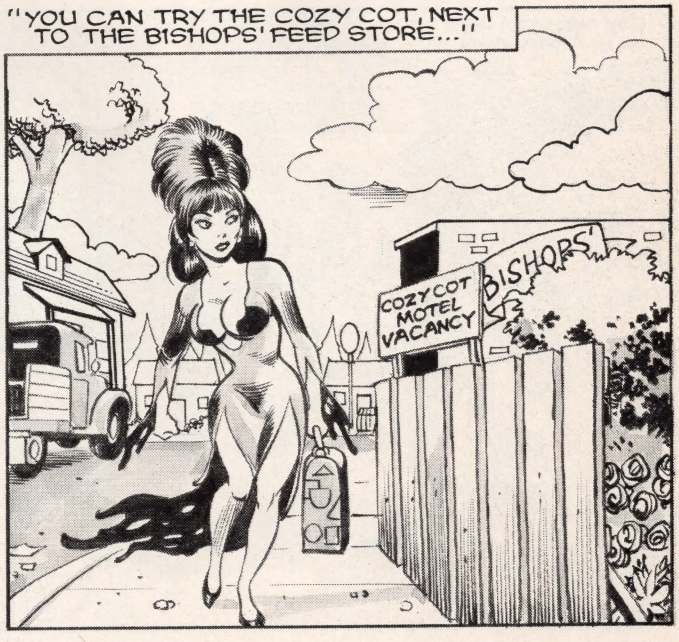
SPUTTER... SPUTTER... SPUTTER... KVETCH!...

WILL ONE OF YOU BIG STRONG MEN GIVE ME A LITTLE PUSH TO THE NEAREST GARAGE?
I THINK I'M IN LOVE!
WOW! SHE'S INCREDIBLE!
I SMELL TROUBLE WITH A CAPITAL "T"!
ELVIRA


BUT, AT THE GARAGE...
THIS IS GONNA TAKE A COUPLE OF DAYS, YOU KNOW.
OH, GREAT. JUST WHAT I HAD IN MIND.
COKE
IS THERE A MOTEL AROUND HERE?


"YOU CAN TRY THE COZY COT, NEXT TO THE BISHOPS' FEED STORE..."
COZY COT MOTEL VACANCY
BISHOPS'

SORRY, BUT WE'RE BOOKED SOLID.
BUT THERE'S A VACANCY SIGN FLASHING.

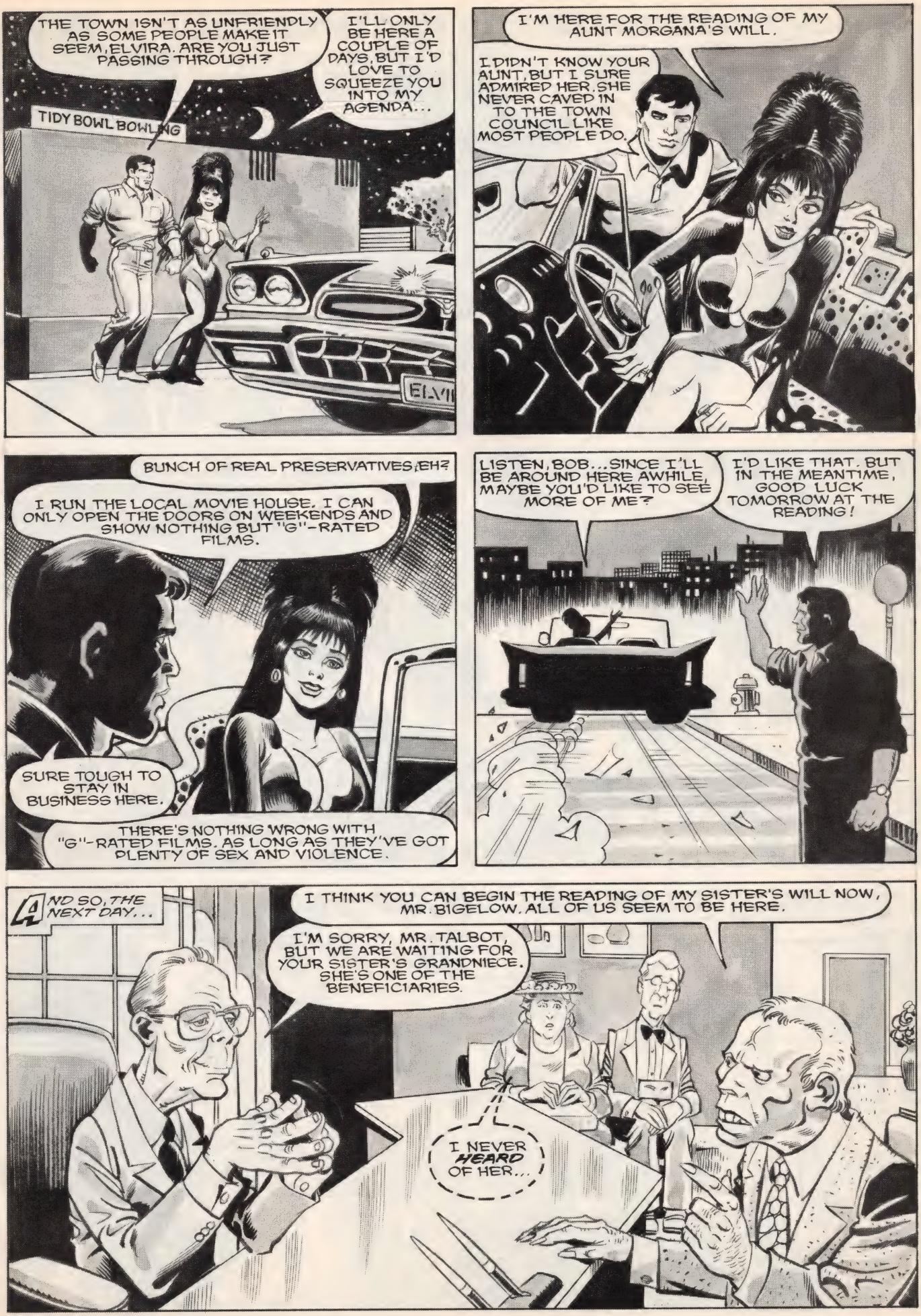
I BELIEVE YOU'RE MISTAKEN.
Cozy Cot
MOTEL
NO VACANCY

LOOK, WE DO HAVE A ROOM!
YEAH! THAT TRUCKER WITH BAD SKIN CHECKED OUT THIS MORNING.
HOPE THEY CHANGED THE SHEETS!
OKAY, BUT IT'LL BE CASH UP FRONT!

WHAT DO YOU FOLKS DO FOR FUN AROUND HERE?
ONLY PLACE OPEN AT NIGHT IS THE BOWLING ALLEY.
AND A LITTLE LATER, AT THAT BOWLING ALLEY...
AND ONE MAKES TEN. NO CHARGE FOR THE SHOES, CHARLIE. THAT'S ON THE HOUSE.
IF YOU'RE NOT GOD'S GIFT TO FALLWELL, MAYBELLE, THEN I'D LIKE TO KNOW WHO IS.
TIDY BOWL
BOWLING
PATTY ANDERSON, PROPRIETOR
HOW YOU DO PRATTLE ON, CHARLIE.
ROYAL ACES
AIR ACE
TOMCAT DOGFI
AIR KILLS
HIYA, BOB. WOULD YOU BELIEVE I STILL DON'T HAVE A DATE FOR THE PICNIC SATURDAY?
LEAST NOT A FIRM ONE, ANYWAY!
I WOULDN'T WORRY, MAYBELLE. GUYS ARE PROBABLY LINING UP RIGHT NOW.
BUT DON'T YOU KNOW THERE'S ONLY ONE I WANT!
DARN THIS GAME! GETS TOUGHER EVERY DAY!
ZONG!
TOMC
UH-OH! LOOK LIKE YOU'VE GOT YOURSELF SOME COMPETITION, MAYBELLE!
FALLW
BOWLI
SHOOT, MEL! TRASH DOES NOT COMPETE WITH CLASS!
eiser
FALLWEL
BBBR

THEY MUST THINK YOU'RE REALLY STUPID. THEY'RE GONNA KILL SPIDER-MAN WITH PLUTONIUM? HE'S GOT RADIOACTIVE BLOOD!
LEMME SEE THAT, BILLY!
HEY, MAN!
RIPPP!
WHY'D YOU DO THAT, TRAVIS?
SHUT UP, BILLY. LOOK WHAT JUST WALKED IN.
BLOODY MARY!
NO HARD LIQUOR PAST EIGHT O'CLOCK. HOW ABOUT A VIRGIN?
MAYBE LATER. FIRST I'LL HAVE A COUPLE OF DRINKS.
HEY, BABY! I CAN REALLY SHOW YOU A GOOD TIME.
IF YOU WERE AS FUNNY AS ROBIN WILLIAMS, YOU COULDN'T SHOW ME A GOOD TIME!
HOW ABOUT THE THREE OF US GOING SKINNY-DIPPING IN THE POND?
WELL, LET'S FIRST SEE IF...
...YOU GUYS CAN SWIM!
SLOSH
BLOSH
LET'S GET HER, TRAVIS!

LIKE IT OR NOT, I'M GOING TO HAVE MY WAY WITH YOU!
NOT WHILE I'M AROUND, YOU WON'T.
OOH, OOH, OOH!
OOH, OOH, OOH!
HANG IN, BILLY! HERE I COME!
AOOH!
AND THERE YOU GO!
FAP!
OOF!
THANKS FOR THE RESCUE.
DON'T MENTION IT. THEY'RE NOTHING BUT TROUBLE, AND I'VE BEEN LOOKING FOR AN EXCUSE TO DO THAT FOR A LONG TIME.
MY NAME'S ELVIRA. BUT YOU CAN CALL ME... ANYTIME.
I'M BOB REDDING, ELVIRA, AND BEFORE THINGS GET ANY WILDER, I'D BETTER ESCORT YOU OUT OF HERE.
WHERE YOU GOIN' WITH THAT CHEAP LITTLE TART, BOB?
ME CHEAP? WHAT'S THAT PERFUME YOU'RE WEARING? CATCH-OF-THE-DAY?


THE TOWN ISN'T AS UNFRIENDLY AS SOME PEOPLE MAKE IT SEEM, ELVIRA. ARE YOU JUST PASSING THROUGH?
I'LL ONLY BE HERE A COUPLE OF DAYS, BUT I'D LOVE TO SQUEEZE YOU INTO MY AGENDA...
TIDY BOWL BOWLING
I'M HERE FOR THE READING OF MY AUNT MORGANA'S WILL.
I DIDN'T KNOW YOUR AUNT, BUT I SURE ADMIRED HER. SHE NEVER CAVED IN TO THE TOWN COUNCIL LIKE MOST PEOPLE DO.
BUNCH OF REAL PRESERVATIVES, EH?
I RUN THE LOCAL MOVIE HOUSE. I CAN ONLY OPEN THE DOORS ON WEEKENDS AND SHOW NOTHING BUT "G"-RATED FILMS.
SURE TOUGH TO STAY IN BUSINESS HERE.
THERE'S NOTHING WRONG WITH "G"-RATED FILMS. AS LONG AS THEY'VE GOT PLENTY OF SEX AND VIOLENCE.
LISTEN, BOB... SINCE I'LL BE AROUND HERE AWHILE, MAYBE YOU'D LIKE TO SEE MORE OF ME?
I'D LIKE THAT. BUT IN THE MEANTIME, GOOD LUCK TOMORROW AT THE READING!
AND SO, THE NEXT DAY...
I THINK YOU CAN BEGIN THE READING OF MY SISTER'S WILL NOW, MR. BIGELOW. ALL OF US SEEM TO BE HERE.
I'M SORRY, MR. TALBOT, BUT WE ARE WAITING FOR YOUR SISTER'S GRANDNIECE. SHE'S ONE OF THE BENEFICIARIES.
I NEVER HEARD OF HER...

HEY, GUYS! SORRY I'M LATE. BUT THEN SO'S MY AUNT!
WHO IS THIS WOMAN?
MRS. TALBOT'S GRANDNIECE, ELVIRA!
HOW'S IT GOING, POP? NICE JACKET, WHO SHOT THE COUCH?
ELVIRA, THIS IS YOUR GREAT AUNT'S BROTHER, VINCENT TALBOT!
THEN YOU MUST BE MY... UNCLE VINNIE!
;ULK!;
OH, THERE'S NO PLACE LIKE HOME! THERE'S NO PLACE LIKE HOME!
HURRY UP, BIGELOW! LET'S GET ON WITH IT... BEFORE SOMEONE ELSE DIES!
AND SO, THE WILL IS READ...
TO MY HOUSEKEEPER, MRS. MORRISY, MY SILVER TEA SERVICE AND $5,000...
TO MR. MORRISY, MY DRIVER, MY AUTOMOBILE AND $5,000...
AND TO MY GRANDNIECE ELVIRA...
LAY IT ON ME! BIG BUCKS! BIG BUCKS!

...I BEQUEATH MY HOUSE, MY BELOVED POODLE, ALGONQUIN, AND MY PRECIOUS BOOK OF RECIPES!
THAT'S IT? A HOUSE, A BOOK, AND A DOG?
AND TO MY DEAR BROTHER VINCENT, THE REST OF MY ESTATE...OF WHICH THERE IS NONE!
WHERE'S THE CASH? HOW'M I GOING TO PAY FOR MY LAS VEGAS SHOW?
SHORTLY AFTERWARDS...
THANKS FOR THE LIFT, UNCLE VINNIE! I GOT STIFFED, BUT YOU REALLY GOT NOTHING.
WELL, MY SISTER AND I HAD OUR DIFFERENCES
TELL YOU WHAT--I'LL SHARE MY INHERITANCE WITH YOU. YOU CAN HAVE THE DOG!
HOW KIND OF YOU, DEAR. NO, THANKS, BUT I WOULD BE INTERESTED IN ACQUIRING THAT RECIPE BOOK.
FOR SENTIMENTAL REASONS, OF COURSE.
I'LL PAY YOU...SAY... FIFTY DOLLARS?
50
VINNIE, YOU GOT YOURSELF A COOKBOOK. THE LAWYER IS TAKING ME OVER TO THE HOUSE. YOU CAN PICK IT UP THERE LATER.
Cozy CoCMOTEL
THANK YOU, MY DEAR.
GEE, BOSS, WHY WOULD YOU WANT A DUMB RECIPE BOOK?
THAT DUMB RECIPE BOOK, BILLY, CONTAINS MORE POWER THAN YOUR FEEBLE MIND COULD IMAGINE!

LATER THAT DAY...
SOME INHERITANCE! WHAT A DUMP!
I DO SUPPOSE IT COULD USE A LITTLE SOMETHING!
A LITTLE SOMETHING? YEAH! LIKE A WRECKING BALL!
AND HERE COMES YOUR AUNT'S DOG, ALGONQUIN! I THINK HE LIKES YOU!
I'M AFRAID HE LOVES ME!
-OOF WOOF AWF OOF-
NOW HERE'S THE REST OF YOUR INHERITANCE--YOUR GREAT AUNT'S RECIPE BOOK!
SOME INHERITANCE! WELL, AT LEAST, I'M GETTING FIFTY BUCKS FOR IT!
WELL, IF YOU WANTED TO SELL THE HOUSE, I'D VENTURE TO SAY YOU COULD GET SEVENTY THOUSAND.
S-S-SEVENTY THOUSAND?
WOULD YOU LIKE ME TO CALL YOU A REAL ESTATE AGENT?
I DON'T CARE WHAT YOU CALL ME--JUST FIND SOMEONE TO SELL THE HOUSE!
NOW WHAT DO I DO WITH YOU?

AND WHAT SHE DOES IS...
THAT'S MORE LIKE IT, ALGONQUIN, ALGONQUIN?
NAW, THAT'S TOO SISSYISH! I'M GOING TO CALL YOU... GONK!
LOOKS LIKE UNCLE VINNIE IS HERE FOR THE BOOK!
TAP TAP
JUST COME ON IN, UNCLE VINNIE! I'VE GOT THE BOOK RIGHT INSIDE!
WONDERFUL, ELVIRA!
THAT'S WEIRD! I COULD HAVE SWORN IT WAS JUST ON THAT TABLE!
BUT YOU PROMISED ME!
HEY! DON'T GET YOUR PANTIES IN A BUNCH! IT'LL TURN UP, I'M SURE!
OF COURSE IT WILL... FORGIVE ME! I'VE BEEN A LITTLE ON EDGE LATELY!
YOU JUST LET ME KNOW WHEN IT SHOWS UP!
;GRRRRRRR.;

THAT NIGHT AS THUNDER AND LIGHTNING PLAY HAVOC OUTSIDE...
RUMBLE...
CRASH!
ELVIRA
WURF
EL-VIIIRA...
KI-II!
A-AKK-
SHRIEK!

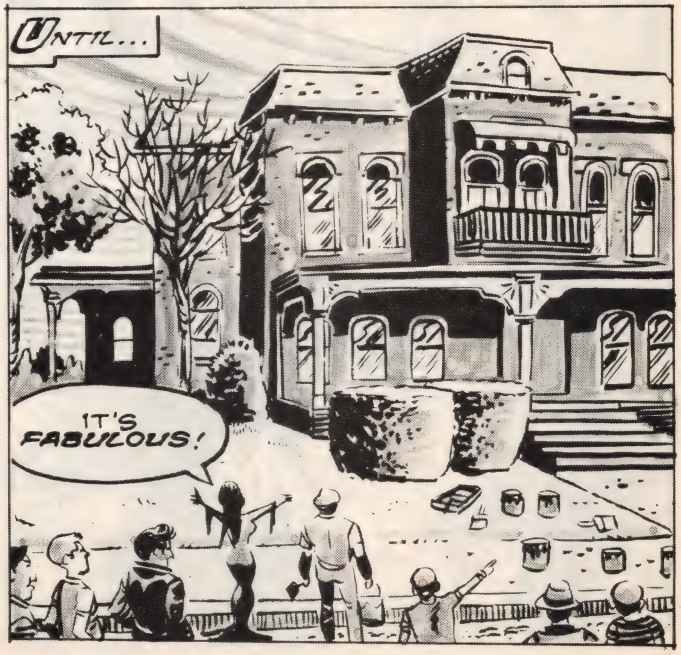
OH!
THANK GOODNESS! IT WAS ONLY A DREAM!
ELVIS FOREVER

TONIGHT, YOU SLEEP ELSEWHERE!

BY THE LIGHT OF THE SUN, THINGS BEGIN TO LOOK BETTER...
GEE, THANKS, GUYS! I APPRECIATE YOUR WANTING TO HELP ME WITH THE HOUSE!
I'D DO ANYTHING TO GET A CLOSER LOOK AT HER!
DUDES

HEY! CAN WE HELP?
I DON'T KNOW... WHAT ARE YOU PREPARED TO OFFER?
FIVE BUCKS?
EACH!
...AND BETTER...
DUDE

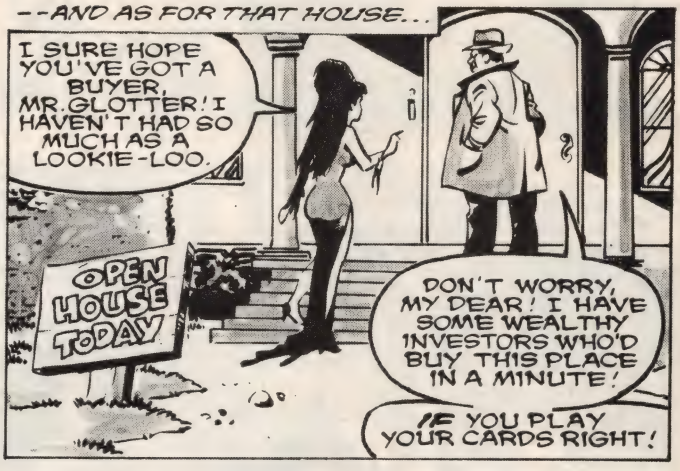
...AND BETTER...
WOULDN'T SOME OF YOU LIKE TO SPREAD OUT TO SOME OTHER PLACES?


UNTIL...
IT'S FABULOUS!

LOOK AT THIS!
I CONFISCATED THIS FROM A GROUP OF BOYS AT SCHOOL THIS MORNING!

DISGUSTING! AND SHE HAD HALF THE TEENAGERS IN TOWN AT HER PLACE WRITHING TO THAT JUNGLE MUSIC!
THAT OUTFIT OF HERS IS NEXT TO NOTHING!
I'D SAY IT WAS NEXT TO PLENTY!

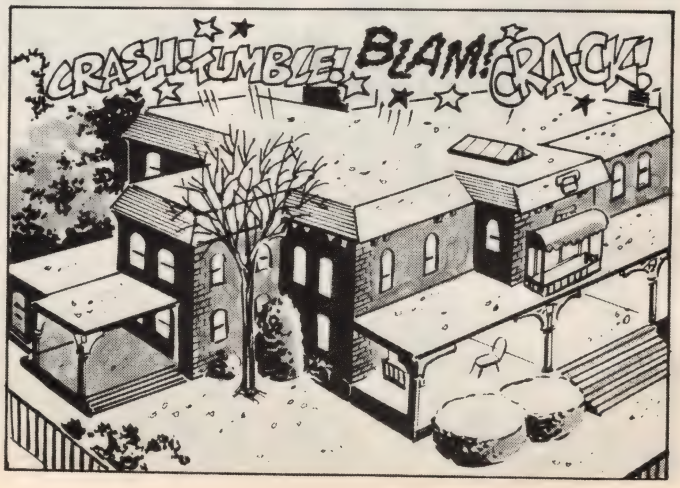
I'LL MAKE THE ANNOUNCEMENT THIS AFTERNOON! HENCEFORTH, ANY STUDENT CONSORTING WITH THIS FLOOZY WILL BE SUBJECT TO EXPULSION!
AND IF SHE CAN'T GET RID OF THE HOUSE, WE'LL GET RID OF HER!


--AND AS FOR THAT HOUSE...
I SURE HOPE YOU'VE GOT A BUYER, MR. GLOTTER! I HAVEN'T HAD SO MUCH AS A LOOKIE-LOO.
OPEN HOUSE TODAY
DON'T WORRY, MY DEAR! I HAVE SOME WEALTHY INVESTORS WHO'D BUY THIS PLACE IN A MINUTE!
IF YOU PLAY YOUR CARDS RIGHT!

HEY! I'D DO ANYTHING TO GET RID OF THIS RATTRAP!
THAT'S WHAT I LIKE--A MOTIVATED SELLER!

FOR STARTERS, LET'S SET THE PROPER MOOD!
GOOD IDEA! THE LESS THEY SEE THE BETTER!

IT'S SIMPLY A MATTER OF GETTING CLOSE TO THE BUYER, TELL HIM ABOUT THE POTENTIAL APPRECIATION, GUIDE HIM THROUGH EVERY NOOK ANY CRANNY...

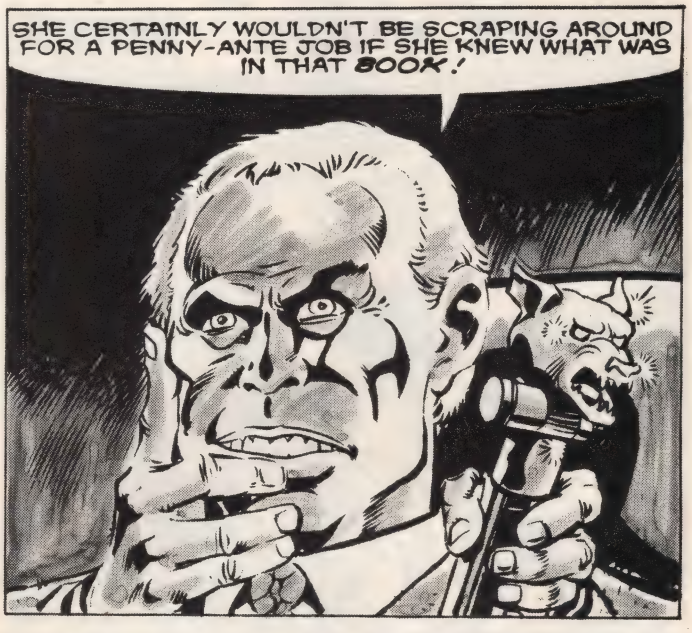

CRASH! TUMBLE! BLAM! CRA-CK!

YOU'LL BE SORRY! YOU'LL NEVER SELL THIS PLACE WITHOUT ME!
JUST BECAUSE THE HOUSE IS UP FOR GRABS, IT DOESN'T MEAN I AM!
SEVERAL DAYS LATER...
NOT A BUYER IN SIGHT, VEGAS SCREAMING FOR THEIR MONEY... WHAT ELSE CAN FALL ON ME?
NOW PLAYIN
THUMP!
I HAD TO ASK!
ELVIRA! ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?
I THINK SO! LUCKY I USE EXTRA-HOLD HAIRSPRAY!
I'M SO SORRY!
BELIEVE ME, BOB, IT'S NOT THE WORST THING THAT'S HAPPENED TO ME TODAY! I'VE BEEN EVERYWHERE IN THIS JERKWATER TOWN AND NOBODY WILL HIRE ME!
IT'S THAT OLD BIDDY, CHASTITY! SHE'S GOT THE WHOLE TOWN TURNED AGAINST YOU!
OH, SWELL! NO ONE WILL GIVE ME A JOB AND I'M FLAT-BUSTED!
I MEAN-- I'M BROKE!
WILDLIFE ADVENTURE- HOW TO HUNT DUCK
WISH I COULD OFFER YOU A JOB, BUT I CAN BARELY STAY IN BUSINESS!
I'M NOT SUPRISED--WITH THE KIND OF MOVIES YOU'RE SHOWING!

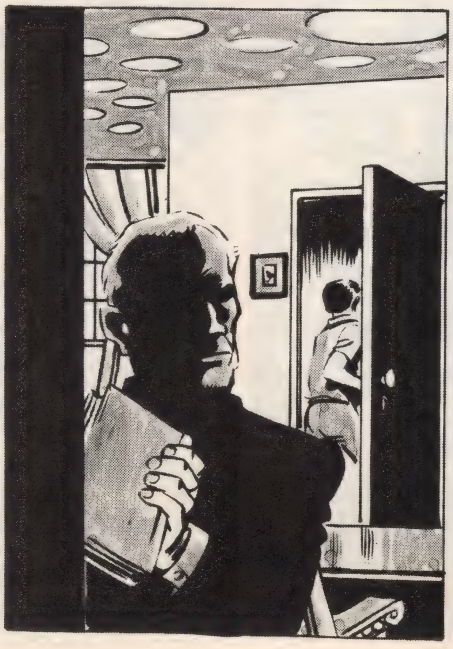
DO YOU HAVE A BETTER IDEA?
WELL, I'VE GOT SOME OF THE CLASSICS OF ALL TIME IN THE TRUNK OF MY CAR!

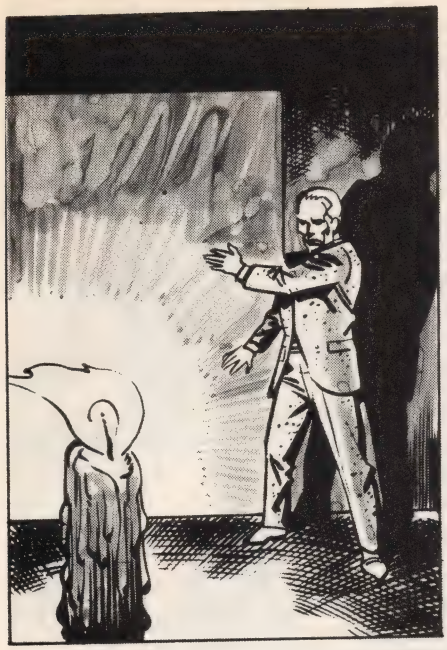
WHILE JUST ACROSS THE STREET...
OH, MY GOSH! THEY'RE SHAKING HANDS!

SHORTLY AFTERWARDS...
AND THEN THEY WALKED INTO THE THEATER TOGETHER.
I THINK HE GAVE HER A--JOB!

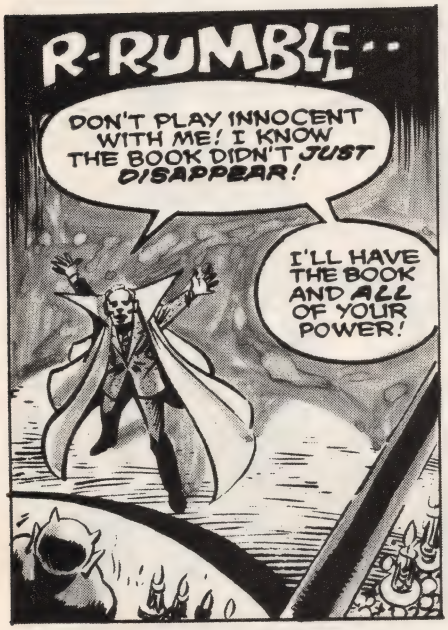

SHE CERTAINLY WOULDN'T BE SCRAPING AROUND FOR A PENNY-ANTE JOB IF SHE KNEW WHAT WAS IN THAT BOOK!

JUST GIVE US THE WORD AND WE'LL GET IT FOR YOU--
YOU'LL MOVE WHEN I TELL YOU TO MOVE!



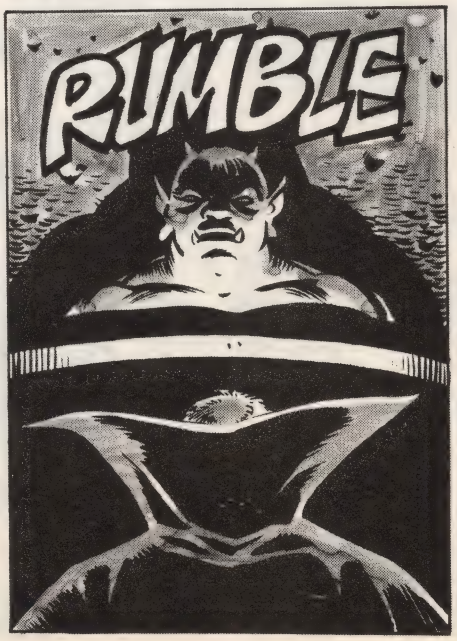


LE SHEIMA ROGZAR... EIKBEE ROUN.
RISE, YOU WRETCHED SPIRIT--AWAKE, DEAR SISTER!


R-RUMBLE..
DON'T PLAY INNOCENT WITH ME! I KNOW THE BOOK DIDN'T JUST DISAPPEAR!
I'LL HAVE THE BOOK AND ALL OF YOUR POWER!

HE WHO HOLDS THE "BOOK OF SIGHT", WHEN THE MOON IS DRAINED OF LIGHT--WILL BE RULER OF THE NIGHT...
...MASTER OF THE NIGHT!

--AND THE LUNAR ECLIPSE, MORGANA, WHEN THE MOON WILL BE DRAINED OF LIGHT, IS LESS THAN A WEEK AWAY!


RUMBLE

THERE'S NOTHING YOU CAN DO! OH, NO! YOU'RE DEAD, MY DEAR AND I'M NOT!

NEXT DAY...
HEY, GUYS! HAVE I GOT GOOD NEWS!
I'M PUTTING ON A LIVE MUSICAL STAGE SHOW AT BOB'S THEATER AND I WANT YOU ALL TO COME!
WOW! TALK ABOUT YOUR GREAT RESPONSES!
NO MINORS SERVED
WHAT'S THIS? "INVASION OF THE BODY SNATCHERS"? COUPLE OF DAYS AGO, WE WERE BOSOM BUDDIES!
IT'S THE PRINCIPAL... MR. COBB. HE SAID ANYONE WHO TALKED TO YOU WOULD GET EXPELLED!
HEY, I UNDERSTAND! LAST THING I WANT TO DO IS GET YOU IN TROUBLE!
SO WHAT IF IT BLOWS MY ONLY SHOT AT MAKING A LIVING!? AND I GET SO DEPRESSED I HANG MYSELF IN THE OVEN?
-OH-
BOO HOO
HOO, HOO!
!
?
!?
WE'RE SORRY, ELVIRA!
WE'LL BE THERE!
12 O'CLOCK SHARP!
BE THERE OR BE SQUARE!
!?!

LATER THAT NIGHT...
DOG
STANDING ROOM ONLY, ELVIRA!
I JUST KNEW IT! AND WAIT TILL THEY SEE THE BIT WITH THE BUCKET!
I REACH UP, PULL THE ROPE, AND MY WHOLE BODY GETS COVERED WITH GOLD GLITTER!
IT'S A GUARANTEED STANDING OVULATION!
ARE YOU KIDS READY UP THERE?
IT'S IN PLACE, ELVIRA!
THEN LET'S HIT IT, BOYS!

GLUG
GLOB
GLOB
BLOSH
FLOSH
OOK
HAHA
AHAHA

OH, NO!
HUMILIA--
HEE HEE!
HA!
--TING...
HAR HA HA HA HA HEE HEE HEE HEE--
I HAVE DIED AND GONE TO HELL!
HAHAHAHA
HEEHEEHEEHEEHE
HARHARHA
OO-HOO!
HUH?
HAHAH HAHAH
AND YOU, PATTY, ARE GOING TO PAY FOR IT!
OOOH AAHH
A LITTLE LATER...
OH, YEAH! SHE'LL PAY FOR IT... AND THAT OLD BARF BAG CHASTITY... AND THAT SLEAZOID OF A PRINCIPAL... AND THAT LETCH OF A REAL ESTATE DEALER!
EVERY LAST ONE OF THEM!
GEE! WHAT'S THAT PERFUME YOU'RE WEARING?
SUPER UNLEADED! BETTER NOT SMOKE, BOB!
BOY, DO I NEED A DRINK!
HERE'S TO MY BIG OPENING!
SAY, WAIT A MINUTE... WHAT'S THAT UNDER THOSE CUSHIONS?

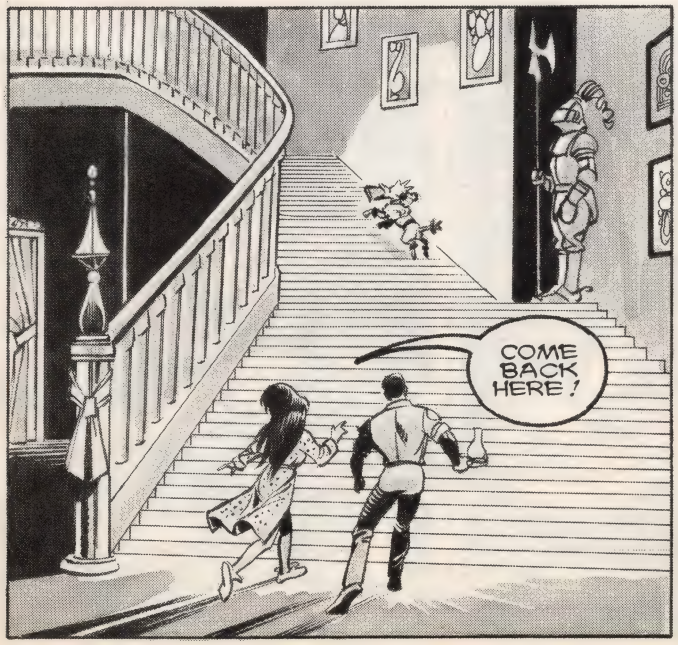
IT'S THAT DARN *RECIPE* BOOK! I WONDER HOW IT GOT UNDER HERE!
THAT REMINDS ME--WHY DON'T WE GO OUT AND GET SOMETHING TO EAT?
I'VE GOT A BETTER IDEA! YOU SET THE TABLE, BOB, AND I'LL WHIP US UP SOMETHING FROM THIS RECIPE BOOK!
IT'S LIKE IT'S WRITTEN IN SOME FOREIGN LANGUAGE!
WHAT'S ADRAKA? EDRAZEBA? OR KOZOROL?
OH, KOZOROL... THAT MUST BE A *CASSEROLE!*
WOW! SHE'S GOT ALL THAT STUFF! EDRAZEBA, TREEMAZOOL, GULETRA, QUOTERROX...
EVEN IF YOU'LL PARDON ME, *FOLEMGRA!*
SOON...
DOESN'T SMELL TOO BAD... THOUGH IT LOOKS LIKE CACA-DOODOO!
I HOPE YOU'RE HUNGRY, 'CAUSE HERE COMES DIN--
YIPE!
EEK

LET'S GET RID OF THAT!
SLAMM

AND FAST!
SLOSS
UGRH!

WHERE DID YOU LEARN TO COOK?
GRNNN!

I DIDN'T! I JUST FOLLOWED DIRECTIONS IN--
HEY, GONK! GIVE ME THAT BOOK!


COME BACK HERE!

HE'S GOING INTO THE ATTIC!

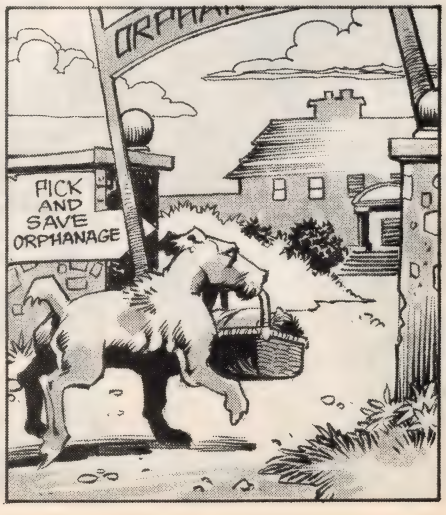
"For 300 years, your great uncle Vincent coveted her dominion..."

"But your mother succumbed to something unforeseen...she fell in love with a mortal!"

"He would have destroyed you as he did her, had I not sent you away...

"...protected by my power...

"...and entrusted to my loyal familiar, my pet that can change its shape at will.



"But it wasn't you alone that I sought to protect...

"...it was also the book that contains your mother's magic!

"Our enemy is formidable, Elvira. Protect the book and, above all, keep it from Vincent..."

"...WHEN THE MOON FALLS UNDER THE EARTH'S SHADOW!

"...REMEMBER, ELVIRA, YOU CARRY THE POWER WITH YOU!"

NO WONDER HE HAD SUCH A SPAZ ATTACK WHEN I COULDN'T FIND THE BOOK!

WOW! I'M DESCENDED FROM A MAJOR METAPHYSICAL CELEBRITY!

IF I FIND THE RIGHT SPELL, I CAN MAKE THE MONEY I NEED FOR VEGAS!

I MEAN REALLY *MAKE* THE MONEY!

GEE, ELVIRA, MAYBE YOU SHOULDN'T FOOL AROUND WITH THIS.

HERE! THIS COULD BE IT! IT SAYS "MOOLA."

SELZA RIKI MOOLA SHEEN.

PASERA FLOCTUM KEZRAH FLOME...

OH, BOB! WHERE ARE YOU?

RUMRUMBLE!

HERE I AM, ELVIRA!

OH, BOB! I'M SO *FRIGHTENED!* PLEASE *HOLD* ME!

AH, YES, HOLD ME!

SEVERAL DAYS LATER...
34th ANNUAL MORALITY CLUB PICNIC
34TH A
CHASTITY, THE PICNIC IS A WONDERFUL SUCCESS!
YES, I THINK IT'S SOMETHING THAT WE CAN ALL BE PROUD OF ME FOR!
COME AND GET IT EVERYONE!
ELVIRA, WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE?
WELL, IT IS A POT LUCK...AND BELIEVE ME, THEY'RE GOING TO NEED ALL THE LUCK THEY CAN GET WHEN THEY OPEN THAT POT!
THIS IS WONDERFUL!
OH, LOOK AT THIS CASSEROLE!
I DIDN'T NOTICE IT BEFORE!
I WONDER WHAT'S INSIDE?
WHAT HAPPENED TO THE MONSTER?
I MUST HAVE SCREWED IT UP WHEN I SUBSTITUTED THE FOLEMGRA WITH SOME HAMBURGER HELPER!
HEY, FOLKS, TRY THIS! IT MAKES YOU FEEL SO...GOOD!
I FEEL SO WARM INSIDE!
I FEEL SO WARM OUTSIDE, TOO. LET ME GET RID OF SOME CLOTHES!

COME HERE, STUD!
OH, AM I HAVING A BALL!
KISS ME AND KISS ME AGAIN!
AH!
OH! YOU ANIMAL! AGAIN! OH!
TAKE ME... ANYWHERE!
OH, VINCENT!
TAKE ME!
SO, I SEE YOU'VE BEGUN TO USE THE FAMILY RECIPE BOOK! I'LL GIVE YOU FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS FOR IT!

DO I LOOK LIKE I JUST FELL OFF THE TUNA TRUCK? THE DEAL'S OFF!
WELL, MARK MY WORDS-- I'LL GET YOU AND YOUR LITTLE DOG, TOO!

BUT ON THE VERY NEXT DAY...
YOU ATTACKED ME IN BROAD DAYLIGHT!
AND CALVIN WAS PAINTING EVERYONE WITH APPLE BUTTER!
ME? I BARELY GOT AWAY WITH MY LIFE!

SILENCE, FOOLS! DON'T YOU KNOW ELVIRA IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS?!

OF COURSE! I SHOULD HAVE KNOWN IT WAS THAT HARLOT!
WE'LL RIDE HER OUT OF TOWN!
I HAVE A MUCH BETTER IDEA--WE CAN HAVE HER ARRESTED!

ARRESTED? FOR WHAT?
A LAW THAT DATES BACK TO THE SALEM TRIALS! IT FORBIDS THE PRACTICE OF THE ANCIENT ART OF SPELL CASTING, OF DEMONOLGY, OF ALCHEMY OR CONJURATION!

THE CHARGE, MY FELLOW COUNCIL MEMBERS, IS WITCHCRAFT!

AND SO...
LET ME OUTTA HERE! YOU CAN'T DO THIS TO ME! I KNOW HIGH PEOPLE IN LOW PLACES!
HEY! I'VE SEEN "THE PEOPLE'S COURT"! I'M ENTITLED TO ONE PHONE CALL AND A STRIP SEARCH!
EXIT
ELVIRA, I'VE GOT THE BEST LAWYER IN THE COUNTY! HE'LL BE HERE IN THE MORNING!
BY TOMORROW? I'LL BE ABLE TO FIT INTO AN ASH TRAY BY THEN! YOU'VE GOTTA GET ME OUT NOW, BOB!
GET THE BOOK! IT'S MY ONLY CHANCE!
SOON...
SHE SAID THE BOOK WAS HIDDEN UNDER THE LOOSE BOARD IN THE ENTRY HALL!
WELL, THAT SHOULD BE EAS--
POW!
YES, VERY EASY! HA!
IT'S MINE! THE POWER IS MINE!
DON'T WORRY, GONK... WE'LL FIND SOME WAY OUT OF THIS...
M-M-MAYBE...
WHINNY-WHINNY
COUNTY JAIL

GONK, WHAT'S GOING ON?
WHOA! I MUST'VE DONE TOO MUCH ANTACID IN THE SIXTIES!
EVEN HE'S DESERTED ME!
GONK?
HURRY, BOY! HURRY!
"HURRY"? IT MAY BE TOO LATE EVEN NOW...
YOU SMOKE?
I GUESS WE'LL FIND OUT SOON ENOUGH!
BURN THE WITCH! BURN THE WITCH!
LET HER GO!
YEAH!
SHE DIDN'T DO ANYTHING!
THANKS FOR TRYING, KIDS! IT'S NICE TO KNOW THAT SOMEONE CARES!
LEAVE HER ALONE!

AND NOW, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAW, I HEREBY PRONOUNCE THE SENTENCE OF DEATH BY FIRE ON THE PRISONER, ELVIRA.

ANY FINAL WORDS?
JUST ONE.

HELP!

OH, NO, GONK! WE'RE TOO LATE! WE'LL NEVER GET TO HER IN TIME!

HOWL!
G-GONK? WHAT ARE YOU TRYING TO TELL ME?

REMEMBER, ELVIRA, YOU CARRY THE POWER WITH YOU!

OF COURSE! THE RING HAS THE POWER!

RUMBLE
CRACK!
HISS-o-o
GONK, YOU TRICKY LITTLE DEVIL!
OH, BOB...
LOOK, ELVIRA! THE LUNAR ECLIPSE... AND VINCENT'S GOT THE BOOK!
AND, NOT VERY FAR AWAY...
JUST HOLD IT THERE, TALBOT!
THE COSTUME PARTY'S OVER!
ETA QUO VALA TOME!
V-VINCENT, DON'T YOU REMEMBER... WE'RE ON YOUR SIDE!
SWINE!

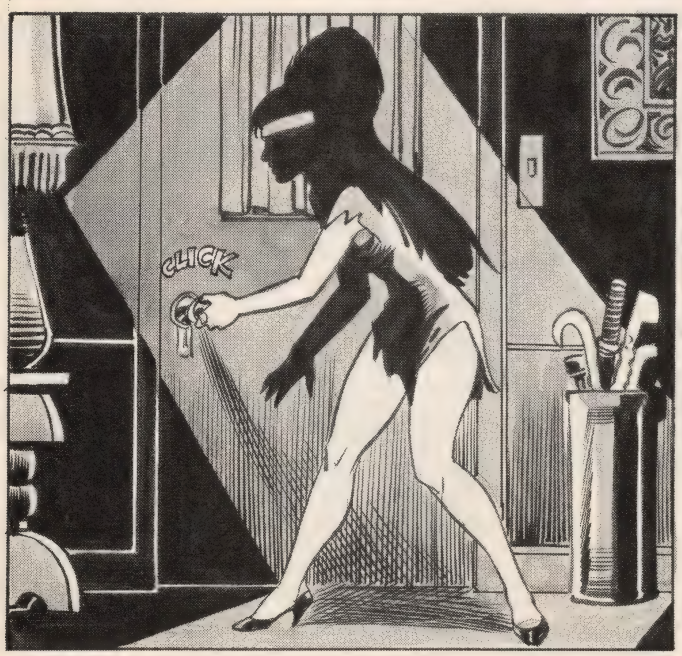
ELVIRA, WE'VE GOT TO GET OUT OF HERE!
URRRK!
SKRUNCH!
GRR!

KEEP AWAY, VINCENT! DON'T MAKE ME USE THIS RING!
THE AMULET COULD NOT PROTECT YOUR MOTHER AND IT WON'T SAVE YOU!
KALOOZARIPSOLE--
CRACK!
HA!
ZZZ
NOW HERE'S ONE FOR YOU, MOM...
OH, NO!
OH, YES!
HAHAAA
YOU CANNOT ESCAPE ME NOW, DAUGHTER OF DEVANA! I SHALL DESTROY YOU AS I DID HER!
COME OUT, COME OUT, WHEREVER YOU ARE!
ARMY SURPLUS
BLAM

YOU LOOKIN' FOR ME?

FOOM
BIJOU THE NOW PLAYIN

DID YOU THINK YOU COULD STOP ME WITH ONE OF YOUR TOYS?
I FIGURED IT WAS WORTH A SHOT!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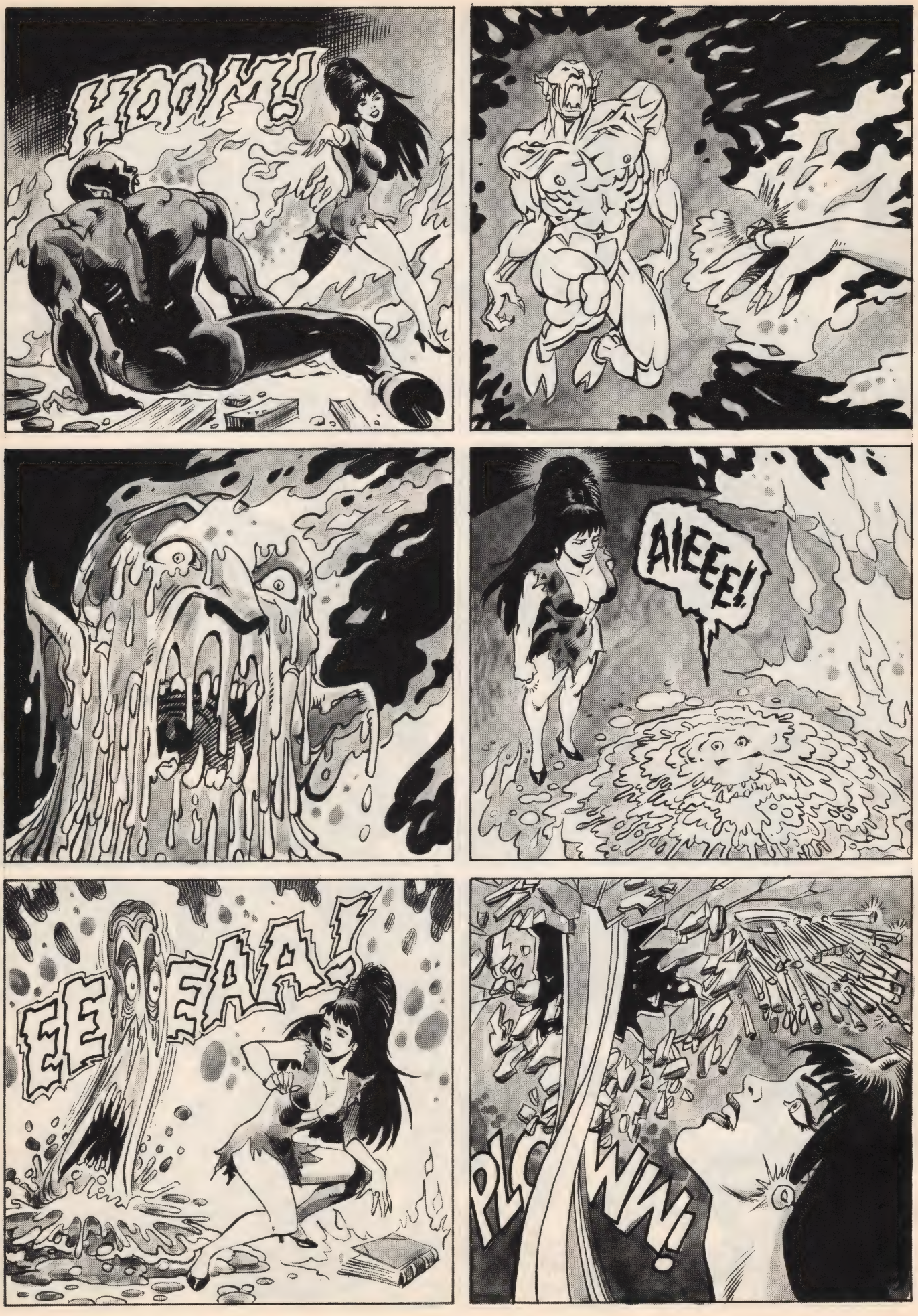
AAHH...
...SAFE AT--

SMASH!
I AM MASTER OF THE DARK!
HISS!
YOU CAN ELUDE ME NO LONGER, ELVIRA! NOW...NOW...YOU DIE!
OH...
THUK!
SPRONG!
NO... NO.


HOOK!
AIEEE!
EE EAA!
PL WW!

FLASH
BOOM

THE NEXT DAY...

ALL I'VE GOT LEFT IS THIS RING... THAT DOES NOTHING BUT LOOK CHEAP!
I'M SORRY. I KNEW YOU HAD YOUR HEART SET ON VEGAS!

DON'T WORRY, BOB! I'M LIKE FAKE FRUIT--I DON'T BRUISE THAT EASILY!
LOOKS LIKE WE HAVE COMPANY!

TAKE IT EASY! I'M LEAVING! I'M LEAVING!
BUT WE DON'T WANT YOU TO GO!
WE WERE WRONG ABOUT YOU!
YOU'RE THE BEST THING THAT'S EVER HAPPENED TO FALLWELL!
YOU TOUCHED A PART OF MY SON NO ONE EVER TOUCHED BEFORE!
HOW I WISH!

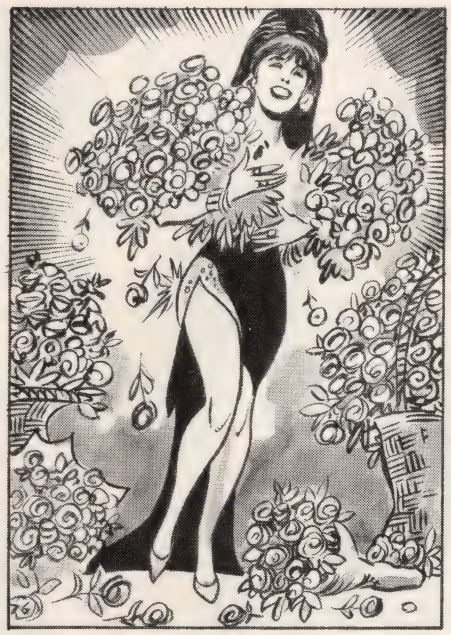
AND I'VE GOT SOME VERY IMPORTANT PAPERS FOR YOU TO SIGN!

WITH YOUR UNCLE GONE, ELVIRA, YOU'RE THE ONLY HEIR TO HIS ESTATE.
AND NOT AN INCONSIDERABLE ONE AT THAT!
LAS VEGAS...

THAT'S FANTASTIC, ELVIRA!
LAS VEGAS... LAS VEGAS...
ELVIRA?
LAS...
"...VEGAS!"
JAYNE!
GOLD NUGGET
FRANK!
CHARO!
PIA!
ELVIRA!
IF YOU'RE LOOKIN' FOR TROUBLE, HERE I AM! IF YOU WANNA SEE DOUBLE, HERE I AM!
I DON'T DO WHAT THE GOOD GIRLS DO! NIGHTMARES REALLY CAN COME TRUE!

YYAY-YY!
AW-RIIIGHT!
YEAHHH!
WHOOP!
WHEE!
WHEE!
WHOOEE YAYY
YEAH!
WHOO!
WOO-OOUGH
WHEE!
YAH

YAHOO!



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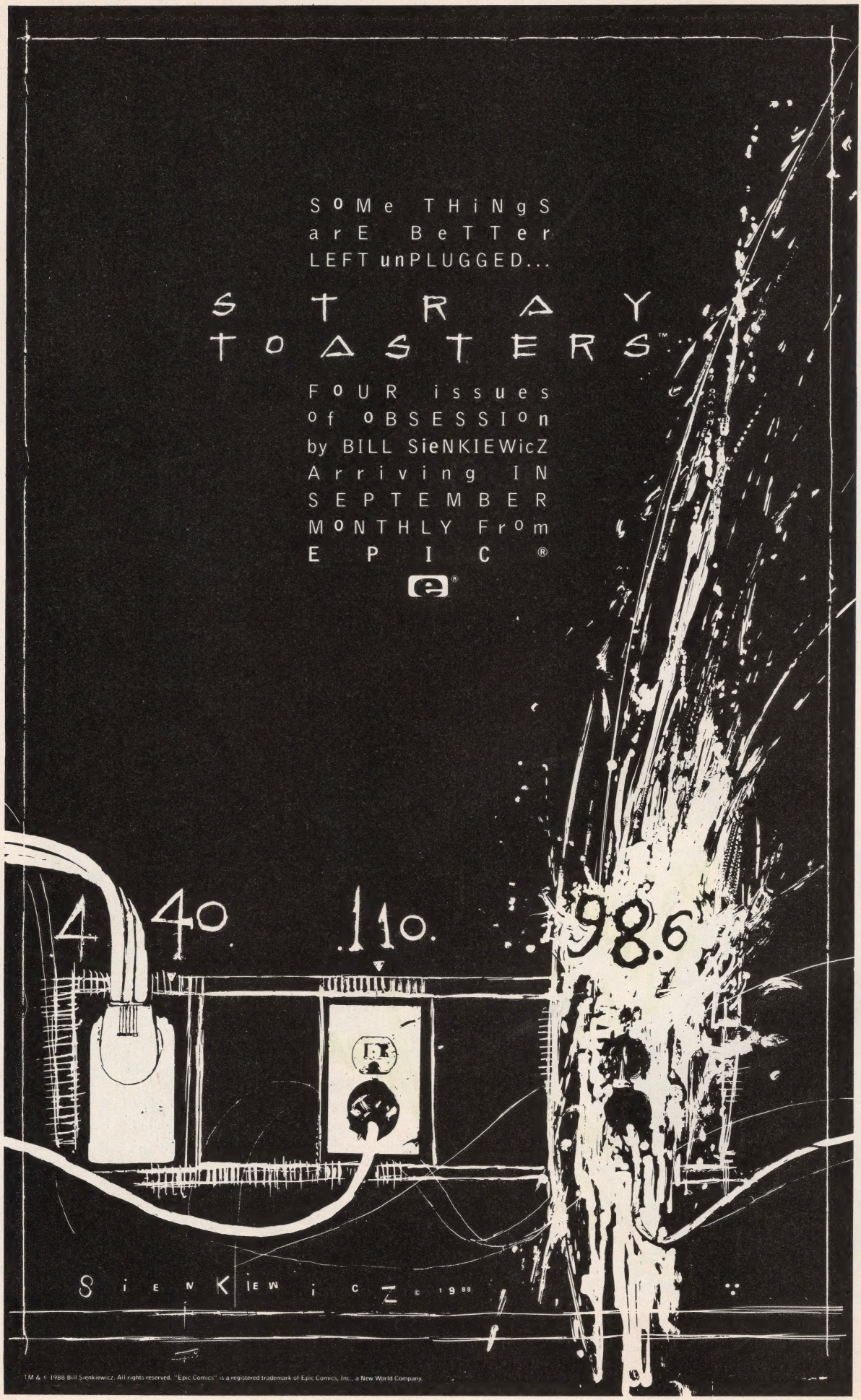

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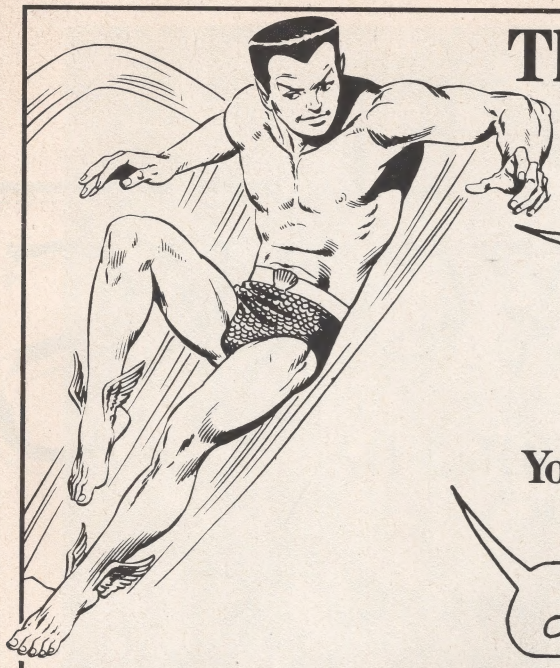

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